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Re: Docket No. 98P-0869/CP1 and PSA1

Dear Dr. Till and Ms. Siiore:

This letter responds to your citizen petition and petition for stay of action dated October 5, 1998 in which you request that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) take certain actions regarding pediatric exclusivity. Your petitions are denied. The issues you raised in your petitions were resolved by the lawsuit National Pharmaceutical Alliance v. Henney Civ. Action No. 99-0394 (D.D.C. 1999). In that Iawsuit, FDA explained and defend& its interpretation of the pediatric exclusivity provisions. We enclose a copy of the Agency's brief and the court's decision on a Motion for Preliminary Injunction, in which the court supports the Agency's interpretation of the pediatric exclusivity provisions.'

Sincerely yours,

I.:

Dennis E. Baker

Associate Commissioner for Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

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This case has since been dismissed by agreement of the parties.